

Senator Mike Gloor  
LR 513 Update for Medicaid Medical Home Advisory Council  
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LR 513 is an interim study with the goal of encouraging private payers to participate in PCMH voluntarily and to create a multi-payer system.

Two meetings have been held with the three largest private pay insurance companies, Coventry, United Health Care, and Nebraska Blue Cross Blue Shield.

The first meeting was information sharing about current pilot programs each company is planning or has in progress. A letter of intent to participate in this effort to create a multi-payer PCMH structure in Nebraska was requested. BCBS has submitted a letter of intent. Coventry and UHC, under the managed care contract is required to pilot at least 2 PCMH a year and has adopted the payment structure and standards of the current Medicaid PCMH pilot program.

The second meeting held Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, United reported they will not be submitting a letter of intent but they were encourage to continue to participate in this working group discussion. A grant opportunity through the National Academy of State Health Policy (NASHP) is available. Although the grant opportunity asks for Medicaid participation, Medicaid has declined to participate until the results of the pilot program warrant expansion of PCMH. A subsequent discussion with NASHP revealed some flexibility, therefore, our work group will still be attempting to put together an application for the grant opportunity for technical assistance in creating a multi-payer PCMH structure.

The definition of PCMH adopted by the Medicaid Pilot Program was agreed upon by the LR 513 group as a starting point for their discussions. Medicare Quality Performance Standards for Accountable Care Organization will be sent out to participants and will be discussed at the next meeting. A subgroup composed of Senator Gloor, Dr. Bob Rauner, and legislative staff Margaret Kohl and Roger Keetle is designing a proposed work plan for the LR 513 participants.

Next meeting will be in early December.